GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – PR&RD Department – Allegations of irregularities and allowed inferior quality of the work "Construction of CC roads and drains in BC colony of Makkapeta Gram Panchayat of Vatsavai Mandal, Krishna District"– Disciplinary proceedings against Sri J. Ravi Kumar, Former, AE, PRI Sub-division (Special), Jaggaiahpeta, Krishna District (erstwhile) (now A.E., PIU Division, Vijayawada) under Rule 20 of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991 – Articles of Charge – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.301 **Dated: 02.04.2024.**

Read:

G.O.Rt.No.295, PR&RD (Vig.I) Dept., Dated: 02-04-2024

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ORDER:

It is proposed to hold an inquiry against Sri J. Ravi Kumar, Former, AE, PRI Sub-division (Special), Jaggaiahpeta, Krishna District (erstwhile) (now A.E., PIU Division, Vijayawada) in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or mis - behaviour in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of article of charge (Annexure-I). A statement of the imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in support of the article of charge is enclosed [Annexure-II].. A list of documents by which, and a list of witnesses by whom, the articles of charge are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure III and IV).Copies of documents are furnished herewith.

3. Sri J. Ravi Kumar, Former, AE, PRI Sub-division (Special), Jaggaiahpeta, Krishna District (erstwhile) (now A.E., PIU Division, Vijayawada) is directed to submit a Written statement of his defence within 10 days of the receipt of this order.

4. Sri J. Ravi Kumar, Former, AE, PRI Sub-division (Special), Jaggaiahpeta, Krishna District (erstwhile) (now A.E., PIU Division, Vijayawada) is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charge as are not admitted. He, should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each article of charge.

5. Sri J. Ravi Kumar, Former, AE, PRI Sub-division (Special), Jaggaiahpeta, Krishna District (erstwhile) (now A.E., PIU Division, Vijayawada) is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defence on or before the date specified in para (3) above or otherwise fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 or the orders/directions issued in pursuance of the said rules, the Inquiring Authority may hold the inquiry against him exparte.

6. Attention of Sri J. Ravi Kumar, Former, AE, PRI Sub-division (Special), Jaggaiahpeta, Krishna District (erstwhile) (now A.E., PIU Division, Vijayawada) is invited to Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring any

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political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interest in respect of matter pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt with these proceedings it will be presumed that he is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of rule 24 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The receipt of the order be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

SHASHI BHUSHAN KUMAR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri J. Ravi Kumar, Former, AE, PRI Sub-division (Special), Jaggaiahpeta, Krishna District (erstwhile) (now A.E., PIU Division, Vijayawada) **through** Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.
The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada (with a request to serve the charges on the individual and furnish a served copy to Govt.,)
Copy to:
The PR&RD (Estt.I) Department.
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ANNEXURE-I

STATEMENT SHOWING THE DRAFT ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI J. RAVI KUMAR, FORMER, AE, PRI SUB-DIVISION (SPECIAL), JAGGAIAHPETA, KRISHNA DISTRICT (ERSTWHILE) (NOW A.E., PIU DIVISION, VIJAYAWADA)

Charge-I:

That Sri J. Ravi Kumar, while working as AE, PRI Sub-division (Special), Jaggaiahpeta, Krishna District (erstwhile) (now A.E., PIU Division, Vijayawada) has allowed inferior quality of the work "Construction of CC roads and drains in BC colony of Makkapeta Gram Panchayat of Vatsavai Mandal, Krishna District" and 1st QC team proposed no recovery. Whereas, 2nd QC team has attended the above works on 20.05.2020 and conducted inspection and proposed for recovery of Rs.48.95 lakhs in the said works and thereby caused loss to the Government exchequer. Thereby unnecessary legal complications have arisen and huge embarrassment was created in dealing with legal issues before the Hon'ble High Court of AP in **Contempt Case No.1297/2022 in WPNo.21148/2021** filed by Sri Madineni. Venkata Rao R/o Vatsavai Mandal, Krishna District.

Thus, Sri J. Ravi Kumar, while working as AE, PRI Sub-division (Special), Jaggaiahpeta, Krishna District (erstwhile) failed to discharge his legitimate duties and gross negligence in attending his duties and acted in contravention of Rule 3 of APCS(Conduct)Rules 1964.

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ANNEXURE-II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATIONS OF MISCONDUCT AND MISBEHAVIOUR IN SUPPORT OF DRAFT ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI J. RAVI KUMAR, FORMER, AE., JAGGAIAHPETA NOW AE., PIU, DIVISION, VIJAYAWADA.

BASIS:

Whereas, as per Quality Control norms and procedure, the 1st Quality Control Inspections were conducted in the year 2018 in respect of the work in Vatsavai Mandal of Krishna District and proposed no recovery. At that time, Sri J.Ravi Kumar, working as AE, PRI Sub-division (Special), Jaggaiahpeta, Krishna District (erstwhile) (now A.E., PIU Division, Vijayawada) during the inspection time the said 1st QC reports were intimated to the concerned EE, DEE & AEE. Subsequently, as per the orders, 2nd QC Inspection team has

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attended the above (5) works and conducted inspections submitted report dated:20.5.2020. The 1st QC Team Report has proposed no recovery against the said works, but the 2nd QC Team has proposed for recovery of total an amount of Rs.48.95 lakhs for the above work. Thus, it is evident that he allowed inferior quality of work and thereby caused loss to the Government exchequer. He should have taken proper care, but he failed to discharge his legitimate duties. Thereby unnecessary complications and legal issues have arisen and huge embarrassment was created in dealing with legal issues before the Hon'ble High Court of Andhra Pradesh.

Thus, the Government Servant, Sri J. Ravi Kumar, while working as AE, PRI Sub-division (Special), Jaggaiahpeta, Krishna District (erstwhile) failed to obey the orders of higher authorities and shown gross negligence in his legitimate duties. Thus by the above mentioned acts, he failed to maintain absolute integrity, devotion to the duty and conduct unbecoming of a Government Servant and there by contravened the Rule 3(1) & 3(2) of APCS(Conduct)Rules 1964.

Hence, the charge.

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ANNEXURE-III

LIST OF DOCUMENTS BY WHICH THE DRAFT ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI J. RAVI KUMAR, FORMER, AE, PRI SUB-DIVISION (SPECIAL), JAGGAIAHPETA, KRISHNA DISTRICT (ERSTWHILE) (NOW A.E., PIU DIVISION, VIJAYAWADA)ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED

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(1)First QC Inspection Report dated:17.11.2018 (1 work) in WPNo.21148/ 2021 CCNo.1297/22.
(2). Second QC Inspection Team Report dated 20.5.2020 .
(3) Govt. Memo No.1770122/PRR01-PRE/30/2022-Vig.I-1, dt.11.08.2023 of PR&RD (V.I) Dept & other Govt. Memos.
(4)Letter No.A1/Article of charge on EE-DEE-AEE-AE/2022, dt.26.12.2023, 08.01.2024 & 13.02.2024 of S.E., PR,Krishna Dist.(erstwhile).

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ANNEXURE-IV

LIST OF WITNESSES BY WHOM THE DRAFT ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI J. RAVI KUMAR, FORMER, AE, PRI SUB-DIVISION (SPECIAL), JAGGAIAHPETA, KRISHNA DISTRICT (ERSTWHILE) (NOW A.E., PIU DIVISION, VIJAYAWADA) ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED

- NIL –

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